

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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2 An apparatus and method for processing audience measurement data detects and corrects one or  
3 more corrupted time codes. The corrupted time codes are identified by calculating a first set of  
4 intervals between a set of read times that may, but need not, be consecutive, each of which  
5 corresponds to one of the time codes extracted from a broadcast signal. The first set of intervals  
6 are compared to a second set of intervals between the time codes to identify when one or more of  
7 the second intervals do not meet a predetermined criteria. At least one of the time codes  
8 associated with each of the second intervals that do not meet the criteria is identified as being  
9 corrupted. The method used to calculate a corrected time code involves using the magnitude of  
10 the corresponding first interval to calculate the corrected time code.

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